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From.....: COGARD LEDET FOUR ZERO ONE

SIC.....: LAA

Message type..: Operation

Precedence.....: Routine

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Releaser.....: NOC, 1(NLD)GRON/N6/NOC

Subject.....: LE SITREP ONE AND FINAL - CONTRABAND FOUND - TWON GFV 26JUN24

PERIOD:260827ZJUN24 - 261711ZJUN24

1. SITUATION: WHILE ON ROUTINE PATROL SOUTHEAST OF BONAIRE LAW ENFORCEMENT DETATCHMENT (LEDET) 401 ONBOARD HNLMS GRONINGEN (GRON) INTERDICTED A GO-FAST VESSEL SUSPECTED OF TRANSPORTING ILLICIT NARCOTICS IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS.

A. FDIN: 2024163622 MISLE: 1398098

B. NARRATIVE: WHILE ON ROUTINE PATROL SOUTHEAST OF BONAIRE, IN THE MORNING OF 26JUNE24, GRON WAS INFORMED BY A MARITIME PATROL AIRCRAFT (MPA) OF ONE POSSIBLE TARGET OF INTEREST (TOI) IN THEIR VICINITY. MPA REPORTED TOI 01 TO BE 21NM FROM THE GRON APPROXIMATELY 25FT IN LENGTH, 08 POB ON A HEADING OF 160T AT 12KTS. TOI 01 WAS STILL INSIDE VZ TERITORIAL WATERS (TTW), MPA CONTINUED TO MONITOR

TOI 01 ANTICIPATING EXIT OF TTW. AT 0841Z GRON SHIFTED TACON FROM CTG 4.4 TO COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7 (D7). AT 0907Z THE MPA REPORTED A SECOND TOI (TOI 02) ON COURSE OF 106T APPROXIMATELY 10NM NORTH OF TOI 01. MPA REPORTED TOI 02 AS APPROX 30FT, 04 OBE, 3POB, WITH PACKAGES AND FUEL DRUMS ON DECK. GRON CO AND LEDET 401 DTL MADE THE DECISION TO PURSUE TOI 02 DUE TO INFORMATION FROM MPA AND TOI 02 TRACK LINE DIRECTED TOWARDS INTERNATIONAL WATERS. GRON WAS ABLE TO ACQUIRE SUFFICIENT INFORMATION FROM THE MPA TO ROUTE A STATEMENT OF NO OBJECTION (SNO) FOR A RIGHT OF VISIT BOARDING TO STOP A NON-COMPLIANT VESSEL TO INCLUDE USE OF FORCE, STEPS II AND IV, TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE ON A PROFILE GO-FAST VESSEL IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS NOT DISPLAYING INDICIA OF NATIONALITY. USCG D7 ISSUED A SNO FOR A ROV BOARDING AND USE OF FORCE STEPS II AND IV. GRON LAUNCHED ITS 2 SMALL BOATS (FRISCS) APPROXIMATELY 10NM FROM THE TOI AND IMMEDIATELY LAUNCHED ITS EMBARKED MH-65 HELICOPTER FOLLOWING THE FRISCS. THE HELO CONDUCTED A HOT HAND OFF WITH THE MPA AND COMMENCED AUF. HELO REPORTED JETTISON FROM THE TOI. FRISC 02 WAS DIRECTED TO THE JETTISON FIELD WHILE FRISC 01 MAINTAINED PUSUIT AT A SAFE DISTANCE. HELO CONTINUED AUF WITH PRECISION WARNING SHOTS AFT AND REPORTS 08 POB ONBOARD TOI AND TILLER DRIVEN. HELO CANNOT CONDUCT AUF STEP IV DUE TO POB PROXIMITY TO ENGINES. 401 DTL AND GRON CO MADE THE DECISION TO SWITCH TO SUF AS PRIMARY UOF FOR INTERDICTION. AT 1051Z D7 RESCINDS SNO FOR UOF AND ORDERS HELO AND FRISCS TO MAINTAIN STAND OFF FROM TOI. GRON ROUTES NEW SNO FOR FOR A RIGHT OF VISIT BOARDING TO STOP A NON-COMPLIANT VESSEL TO INCLUDE SURFACE USE OF FORCE, STEPS II AND IV, TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE ON A PROFILE GO-FAST VESSEL IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS NOT DISPLAYING INDICIA OF NATIONALITY. HELO RETURNED TO GRON FOR HOT REFUEL. HELO IS AIRBORNE AT 1136Z AT 1156Z USCG D7 ISSUED A SNO FOR A ROV BOARDING AND SURFACE USE OF FORCE STEPS II AND IV. FRISC 01 COMMENCES SUF STEPS II AND IV. SUF STEP IV IS EFFECTIVE. TOI DIW AND BOARDING TEAM REPORTS POSCON IN POSITION 10-46.5N 067-48.6W. THE BOARDING TEAM COMPLETED THEIR INITIAL SAFETY SWEEP AND COMMENCED RIGHT OF VISIT QUESTIONING. BRAYON TOCHON CLAIMED TO BE THE MASTER BUT MADE NO CLAIM OF NATIONALITY FOR THE VESSEL. LEDET 401 REQUESTED A SNO TO TREAT THE VESSEL WITHOUT NATIONALITY (TWON) AND COMMENCE A FULL LAW ENFORCEMENT BOARDING. D7 ISSUED THE SNO TO TWON THE VESSEL AND THE BOARDING TEAM COMMENCED THEIR BOARDING. 08 JETTISONED BALES WERE RECOVERED BY FRISC 02 AND BROUGHT BACK TO THE GRON. THEY WERE IMMEDIATELY TESTED AND THE BOARDING TEAM RECEIVED 02 PRESEUMPTIVE POSITIVE NIK TESTS FOR COCAINE. D7 GRANTED PERMISSION TO TREAT THE 08 POB AS DETAINEES. THE BOARDING TEAM CONDUCTED 8 IONSCAN SWIPES THROUGHOUT THE GFV, ALL OF WHICH TESTED POSITIVE FOR COCAINE. THE BOARDING TEAM TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE VESSEL AND ITS ENGINES AND ACHIEVED 100 PERCENT AT-SEA-SPACE-ACCOUNTABILITY. D7 ISSUED A SNO TO IONSCAN SWIPE THE HANDS OF THE DETAINEES. 07 OF 08 SWIPES OF THE DETAINEES HANDS TESTED POSITIVE FOR COCAINE. THE RECOVERED CONTRABAND TOTALLED AN APPROXIMATE AT SEA WEIGHT OF 228KGS. THE BOARDING TEAM COMPLETED THE BOARDING AND REQUESTED TO SINK THE VESSEL AS A HAZARD TO NAVIGATION DUE TO NO NAVIGATION LIGHTS, AND NO TOW POINTS. D7 GRANTED BOARDING COMPLETE AND PERMISSION TO SINK THE VESSEL. THE VESSEL WAS SUNK IN POSITION: 10-51.03N 067-51.07W.

C. VESSEL DESCRIPTION

C.1. NAME: EL GRAN TITITO CPNO
C.2. REG: ADSS 7989
C.3. NAT: TWON
C.4. TYPE: PROFILE GFV
C.5. LOA: 41 FT
C.6. HULL COLOR: WHITE
C.7. TRIM: RED
C.8. S/S: NONE
C.9. LPOC: VENEZUELA 23JUN2024
C.10. NPOC: UNKNOWN

D. POB INFO

D.1.1. CREW: BRAYON TOCHON(MASTER)

D.1.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.1.3. DOB: 11DEC1995

D.1.4. CED: 23550887

D.2.1. CREW: WILMES BARCELO

D.2.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.2.3. DOB: 1979

D.2.4. CED: 18099161

D.3.1. CREW: JOSE LEMUS

D.3.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.3.3. DOB: 06SEP1973

D.3.4. CED: 19189913

D.4.1. CREW: JESUS RODRIGUEZ

D.4.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.4.3. DOB: 26OCT1994

D.4.4. CED: 24512563

D.5.1. CREW: LOUIS ANDRES SUNIAGA

D.5.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.5.3. DOB: 1982

D.5.4. CED: 21287792

D.6.1. CREW: JORGE LUIS LOPEZ

D.6.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.6.3. DOB: 1980

D.6.4. CED: 19187189

D.7.1. CREW: EVLIDES OLIVEROS

D.7.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.7.3. DOB: 24SEP1993

D.7.4. CED: 21286932

D.8.1. CREW: STIVEN FLORES

D.8.2. NAT: VENEZUELAN

D.8.3. DOB: 29JUN1991

D.8.4. CED: 23946723

E. VIOLATIONS: 46 U.S.C. 70503

2. ACTION:

0827Z MPA REPORTED TOI #1 21 NM FROM GRON. TOI IS APPROXIMATELY
25 FT WITH 08 POB.

0833Z GRON IN POS 10-46.8N/067-40.07W.

0835Z MPA REPORTED TOI #1 AS HAVING 2 OBE IN POS 10-57.38N
068-02.26W ON A COURSE OF 115T AT 3.5 KTS.

0841Z GRON SHIFTED TACON FROM CTG 4.4 TO COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7,
GRON POS IS 10-44.8N/067-40.3W.

0847Z MPA REPORTED TOI #1 IN POS 10-56.17N/068-10.9W ON A COURSE OF

160T AT 12 KTS. MPA ALSO REPORTED A SECOND TOI ON A COURSE OF 106T APPROXIMATELY 10 NM AWAY FROM TOI #1.

0907Z MPA REPORTED TOI #2 AS APPROXIMATELY 30 FEET IN LENGTH, WITH 4 OUTBOARD ENGINES, 3 POB, PACKAGES, AND FUEL DRUMS OBSERVED ON DECK.

0908Z GRON CO AND DTL MADE DECISION TO PURSUE TOI #2 DUE TO INFORMATION FROM THE MPA AND TRACK LINE DIRECTED TOWARDS INTERNATIONAL WATERS.

0910Z MPA REPORTED UPDATED POSITIONS FOR THE TWO TOIS. TOI #1 10-53.58N/067-57.11W 120T AT 10 KTS. TOI #2 11-06.36N/068-05.29W 120T AT 15 KTS.

0911Z GRON REQUESTED AN SNO FOR AN ROV BOARDING TO INCLUDE UOF.

0948Z MPA REPORTED UPDATED POSITION OF TOI #2. 11-06.25N 067-56.02W 110T AT 17 KTS.

0955Z COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7 GRANTED A SNO FOR A ROV BOARDING FOR A NCV ON TOI #2 TO INCLUDE STEPS II & IV.

0958Z FRISC #2 UNDERWAY WITH 02 LEDET MEMBERS. GAR SCORE OF MED/MED, GRON POS 10-54.9N/067-42.3W.

1004Z FRISC #1 UNDERWAY WITH 03 LEDET MEMBERS. GAR SCORE OF MED/MED, GRON POS 10-55.3N/067-42.3W.

1015Z MPA REPORTED UPDATED POSITION OF TOI #2. 11-05.47N/067-51.39W 095T AT 15 KTS.

1021Z HELO IS AIRBORNE. 1 +50 MINUTES TO SPLASH.

1028Z HELO REPORTED VISUAL OF TOI. HOT HAND OFF WITH MPA.

1035Z HELO COMMENCED AUF STEP I IN POSITION 11-05.4N/067-47.5W.

1036Z HELO COMMENCED AUF STEP II.

1038Z HELO REPORTED JETTISON OF PACKAGES IN POSITION 11-05.4N 067-46.78W. FRISC #2 HEADED TOWARD JETTISON POSITION.

1040Z HELO CONDUCTED WARNING SHOTS AFT. HELO REPORTED TOI #2 AS TILLER DRIVEN WITH 08 POB.

1046Z HELO REPORTED PRECISION WARNING SHOTS AFT AS INEFFECTIVE.

HELO CANNOT CONDUCT AUF STEP IV DUE TO POB PROXIMITY TO ENGINES

1049Z SWITCH TO SUF PRIMARY UOF.

1051Z COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7 RESCINDS SNO FOR UOF AND ORDERED GRON TO MAINTAIN SAFE STAND OFF FROM TOI WHILE MAINTAINING PURSUIT.

1056Z FRISC #2 RECOVERED 01 BALE OF SUSPECTED CONTRABAND.

1059Z HELO REPORTED UPDATED POSITION OF TOI #2. 11-04.04N/067-42.5W 067T AT 17 KTS. HELO HAS 30 MINUTES TO BINGO FUEL.

1100Z SNO ROUTED TO COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7 FOR SUF.

1103Z FRISC #2 RECOVERED 05 BALES OF SUSPECTED CONTRABAND.

1115Z MPA REPORTED JETTISON OF FUEL DRUMS FROM TOI #2 IN POSITION: 11-03.43N/067-43W.

1117Z MPA REPORTED NO ADDITIONAL PACKAGES OBSERVED ONBOARD TOI #2.

1119Z HELO BACK ONBOARD DECK OF GRON FOR REFUELING.

1126Z FRISC #1 REPORTED THAT THE POB ON THE TOI HAVE MOVED FORWARD ON THE VESSEL AWAY FROM THE ENGINES. TOI IS APPROXIMATELY 17 NM FROM VEN TTS.

1130Z MPA REPORTED 3 HOURS & 20 MINUTES TO BINGO FUEL.

1136Z HELO IS AIRBORNE. 1 HOUR & 50 MINUTES TO SPLASH.

1153Z HELO REPORTED TOI #2 IS ON A COURSE OF 190T AT 23KTS 05 NM AWAY FROM VEN TTS.

1155Z FRISC #1 REPORTED A VISIBLE NAME OF THE SIDE OF THE VESSEL AS EL-GRAN-TITI CPN.

1156Z COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7 GRANTED A NEW SNO FOR A ROV BOARDING ON A NCV TO INCLUDE SUF STEPS II & IV ONLY.

1156Z FRISC #1 COMMENCED SUF STEP I AND REPORTED IT AS BEING

INEFFECTIVE.

1158Z FRISC #1 COMMENCED SUF STEP II AND REPORTED IT AS BEING INEFFECTIVE.

1201Z FRISC #1 COMMENCED SUF STEP IV AND REPORTED IT TO BE EFFECTIVE TOI #2 IS DIW.

1202Z HELO PROCEEDED TO ENDGAME ORBIT. FRISC #1 REPORTED BEING ALONGSIDE TOI #2.

1208Z BOARDING TEAM REPORTED POSCON OF TOI #2 IN POSITION 10-46.5N 067-48.6W.

1208Z BOARDING TEAM REPORTED THAT B.I.S.S. IS COMPLETE.

1210Z BOARDING TEAM REPORTED NO APPARENT INJURIES TO THE POB TOI #2.

1212Z HELO RTB AT THIS TIME.

1229Z HELO BACK ONBOARD THE FLIGHT DECK OF GRON.

1243Z BOARDING TEAM COMPLETED VICTOR REPORT.

1248Z BOARDING TEAM COMPLETED ALPHA REPORT.

1311Z COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7 GRANTED A SNO TO TREAT TOI #2 WITHOUT NATIONALITY AND THE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT A FULL LE BOARDING.

1319Z FRISC #2 REPORTED RECOVERING 08 BALES OF SUSPECTED CONTRABAND.

1345Z FRISC #2 RETURNS TO GRON WITH 08 BALES RECOVERED FROM JETTISON FIELD.

1452Z 02 NIK TESTS PRESUMPTIVE POSITIVE FOR COCAINE. AT SEA WEIGHT. OF 228 KG OF CONTRABAND RECOVERED.

1500Z FRISC #2 LAUNCHED TO ASSIST FRISC #1.

1514Z COAST GUARD DISTRICT 7 GRANTED PERMISSION TO TREAT THE 08 POB ONBOARD TOI #2 AS DETAINEES.

1542Z FRISC #2 RETURNED TO GRON WITH 04 DETAINEES FOR PROCESSING.

1543Z FRISC #2 LAUNCHED TO TRANSFER REMAINING DETAINEES TO GRON.

1556Z FRISC #2 RETURNED TO GRON WITH THE REMAINING 04 DETAINEES FOR PROCESSING.

1616Z BOARDING TEAM REPORTED BOARDING COMPLETE. GRON REQUESTED SNO TO DISEMBARK TOI AND TO CONDUCT SINKEX AS A HAZARD TO NAVIGATION.

1639Z D7 GRANTS AN SNO FOR BOARDING COMPLETE AND SINKEX AS A HAZARD TO NAVIGATION.

1647Z FRISC #1 IS RECOVERED, ALL BT MEMBERS BACK ON GRON

1705Z COMMENCE SINKEX

1711Z SINKEX COMPLETE IN POSITION 10-51.ON 067-51.0W

3. FUTURE PLANS: DISPOSITION PENDING

4. POC: LTG AUDREY DEAN, LEDET OIC/DTL

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